



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gwang-Jer Wu

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Filed: September 1, 2000

For: DIAGNOSTIC FOR METASTATIC  
PROSTATE CANCER

Confirmation No. 5662

Group: 1642

Examiner: Stephen L. Rawlings

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections and entry of this Amendment. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesy of a telephone interview and helpful suggestions. This Amendment is accompanied by a Petition for Extension of Time and the fee therefor.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claim 2 to read as follows.

2. (Twice amended) The method of claim 21, wherein said prostate cancer cell is from a biopsy tissue sample from a patient for whom a prediction of metastasis of prostate cancer is sought.